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ITS HEART HARDENED AGAINST THE VICTIMS OF ITS TARIFF POLICY.

The MacDonald Government refuses to help the British unemployed by protecting British industry against foreign competition in the home market. But it willingly raises money on the national credit to keep up the disbursements on the dole account. The Mackenzie King Government does nothing for the Canadian unemployed. It has given our workers' home market to strangers, and when direct financial assistance to the unemployed is asked, the premier's non-pertinent and impertinent answer is: "Not a "five-cent piece to any Tory Government." The problem presented by our unemployed is a national one. It is largely the creation of the national Government, which has exclusive jurisdiction over legislation that pertains to trade and commerce. Many a Canadian family has been brought to want by the King Government's tariff-tinkering in favor of the United States. And now that Government has not a five-cent piece for the unemployed who live in provinces under Conservative Government.

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